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ANNUAL OUTDOOR HOME DECORATION CONTEST

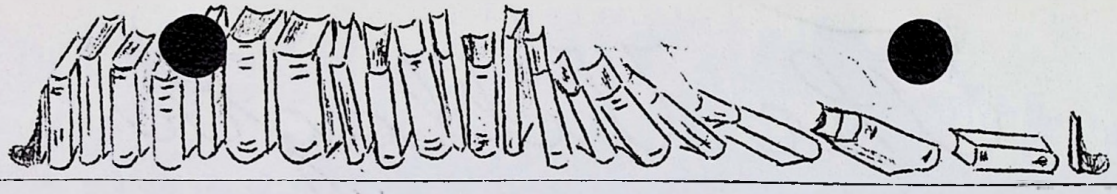
As in the past, the DuPont Garden Club is again sponsoring an outdoor home decoration contest. All residents are urged to bring out their tinsel, lights and ingenuity in creating displays to bring the Spirit of Christmas to DuPont.

The Christmas Season, more than any other time of the year is a time of great joy, full of wonder, merriment and inspiration. Whether you only trim a tree, or place a wreath on your door, or a few lights in your window, let your house from without, reflect the Joy of Christmas within.

Judging will be done on the evenings of Dec. 22 and 23. A prize of $3.00 will be awarded in each of the following categories:

Most Original
Most Artistic
Most Beautiful Using a Religious Theme

Results will be announced in our next issue and awards to the winners made on December 26.



LAUGHBON ACCREDITED

Laughbon's student body and faculty rejoiced as Mr Neff announced last week that the Northwest Association of Secondary and Higher Schools had given accreditation to Laughbon High School.

Although LHS has obtained full accreditation, it must undergo a three year provisional period, just as any other selected school, in which the first two years are devoted to the task of self-evaluation. Following this two year self-evaluation, a visiting committee from the regional office of the Northwest Association of Secondary and Higher Schools will then study the compiled self-evaluation. If there are any minor deviations from described standards, the school would be placed on the advised list, and required within one year to correct any deficiencies, whereupon the school would then obtain full approved status.

Mr. Neff, Superintendent of the DuPont-Fort Lewis School District states, "We certainly are very pleased to receive the accreditation. We believe we have qualified. There have never been problems as far as college entrance is concerned."

Since the fall of 1963, when Laughbon began operating as a full three-year secondary school, the state Board of Education refused to grant it accreditation, not because of poor facilities or low scolastic standards, but simply as a result of "politics".

There is no direct correlation between the State Board of Education and the Northwest Association. They are two separate agencies. The Northwest Association is a part of a National Organization, and, therefore, accreditation by this Association is recognized on a National scale.

STUDENT-FACULTY TO PRESENT "AMAHL"

The combined student-faculty of Laughbon will present "Amahl and the Night Visitors" on Dec. 19 at 7.00 P.M. as part of the Senior High Christmas Concert. The three kings will be played by teachers, Mr Smith, Mr Schadler, and Mr Christopherson. Mrs. Kaufman will take the part of Amahl's mother For one performance James Jagrati will play Amahl. Harry Schilling of DuPont will play the Page, and Charmaine and Marilyn Andre will do the dance sequence. The school chorus will act as shepherds and will provide the musical background, while a former resident of DuPont, Mrs Don Schellberg will accompany at the piano. Don't miss this Christmas favorite.

ALL-STATE MAT HOPEFUL

Laughbon's hope for All-State Wrestler is Tom Shaver of DuPont. Tom has won his first two matches with pins.

DEBATERS

The Laughbon Debate Team has a record of five wins and three losses in two meets which places them near the top of the league. Richard Andre of DuPont again heads the team - this being his third season. Last year Rick shared with Wayne Austerman the "Hall of Fame" award for Debate.

YOUNG PIANIST PERFORMS

Ten year old Phillip Ranger of 605 Louviers was asked by Mr Charles, principal of Clarkmoor School to play the piano for a Thanksgiving Day program presented at the school by Miss Mohring's music class. When asked how he made out, Phillip answered, "Just fine - everyone clapped - real hard!"

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Home Games: Played at Jenson Gym
Time: Jr Varsity 6.15 P.M.
Varsity 8:00 P.M.

Dec 17	Mount Si at LHS
Dec 30	Bethel at LHS

CHRISTMAS VACATION

Dec. 23 - Jan. 3

Postscripts from the Post Office.

John G. Taprati

Christmas Mailing Hints from Mr Zip.....

Make sure your addresses are written or printed clearly, and that they are complete. Don't let your mail end up in the Dead Letter Office because your writing can't be read.

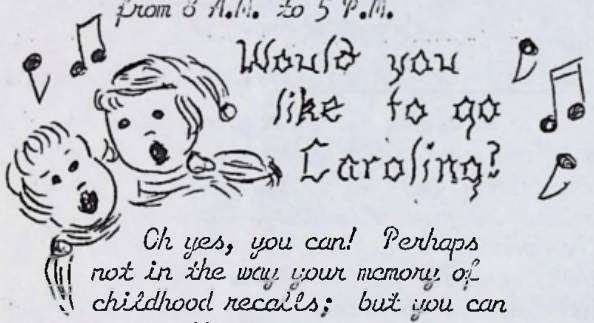
Gift parcels to distant states should be mailed by early December, and those for local delivery by December 15.

Put Zip into your Christmas mail...add Zip Codes to the addresses and to the return address.

During the week just before Christmas long distance gifts and greetings should be sent by airmail to assure on-time delivery. You can help the Postoffice by separating greeting cards into local and out-of-town bundles.

Special Christmas hours are in effecet at the Postoffice. They are:

Monday Dec 12 through Saturday Dec 24
from 8 A.M. to 5 P.M.



Oh yes, you can! Perhaps not in the way your memory of childhood recalls; but you can go caroling.

When? Come to the Church on Wednesday evening, December 21. Be present by 6:30 P.M. From there all who come will wend their way through DuPont returning to the Church by approximately 7:30 for hot chocolate and a time of singing(indoors) for those who wish to continue and those who wanted to sing, but whose health would not permit the walking in the brisk air..the rain..or would you believe.. snow.

The Pastor Ponders.....Grenville A. Daun.

Those who were able to attend the Christmas Tea sponsored by the Women's Association of the DuPont Church will remember the very timely and "pointed" message given by the guest speaker, Chaplain Meredith Thomas of McChord Air Force Base. As a fellow Clergyman, I wish that everyone, men and women of DuPont could have heard the Chaplain.

The essence of what he told us was that Christians ought to be aware of the true meaning of Christmas. Of all persons, the Christians should express this understanding even in the Christmas cards they send. The point is well taken; it was given at an opportune time. I am confident that many will agree that it was a wholesome reminder to all of us.

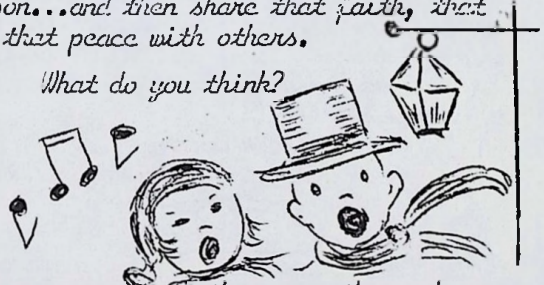
I would like to share an additional thought: Let's make the life we live consistent with the most appropriate greeting card we send. For us to send a card

"God bless you, I pray,
And grant peace this day"

is awkward poetry. (That's because its author is no poet). Can we earnestly say "God Bless" without ourselves being close enough to Him to pray this prayer with assurance He will answer? Should we say, "I Pray!" when seldom we pray as the Prince of Peace taught us to pray? Is it reasonable for us to wish genuine peace for others when the only peace we know comes from a bottle — aspirin, Miltown.... you name it?

I think this could be the most blessed of all Christmases if we would take a new look inside...set our house in order in accord with God's plan made known in the Gift of His Son...and then share that faith, that joy, that peace with others.

What do you think?



Paster Daun will be responsible for leading the carolers. If there are those who are not able to get out, but would enjoy a brief caroling stop at their home, please contact the Editor of The Villager with your request. Be sure, then, to be home and have your front porch light on.

(Footnote)... Children under eight (8) years of age must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Last year we observed that the youngest ones tired of the singing rather quickly, and efforts to keep them in the group were not always successful.

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

"Please give my good wishes to all of my friends in DuPont".

Charles C. Barnes.

"Last March we moved to Richland, Sold our home on the Yakima River. We are now at 1526 McPherson Avenue, while our new home is being built at 13 Van Giesen, just across the street from Jefferson School. We'll be at the McPherson address until the first of the year."

Mr and Mrs Wm Nicklason.

"Cindy is in the fourth grade, and doing well, and Margaret is in the first grade and doing very well. Both are taking piano lessons again. We have our own piano now but it is hard to get them to practice. Both are taking ballet lessons, and will be in a recital in January."

Rita Sorenson

Editor's note: Rita tells us she and the children are homesick for DuPont, but duty keeps them in Georgia. They hope, one of these days to find their way back here.

A recent letter from Charles and Mildred Frost of Fort Myers, Florida was received by The Villager, expressing their pleasure in having had an opportunity last September to visit with old friends here and in Tacoma. They have asked to be included on the mailing list of The Villager.

From New Westminster, Maryland:

"We had a very dry summer, which reduced some farm crops to 25% of normal. This was touch on the farmers, but did not effect us except that I had less grass to cut. Barbara, age 19, our only grandchild, works in a Westminster Bank, and enjoys it. Our antique business has been greater than in previous years."

Oscar Black.

Former Service Supervisor in DuPont.

Word of Thanks.

To our friends who attended our reception, and to all others who were unable to attend:

Thank you so much
For thinking of us,
And your thoughtful remembrance
On our Golden Wedding
Anniversary.

John and Clara Frasl.

Thanksgiving Day, Wayne, Patti, Suzzi and Heidi Shaw started the nice long week end by their attendance at the First Presbyterian Church in DuPont. Several families of the Community were there, as Pastor Dawn, in his message, "Have some Thankful Thinking", reminded us of our responsibilities. The message and service was very good, and an excellent way to prepare us for the even greater forthcoming event, Christmas.

It is strange for us, who live so close to the Church not to attend more often, but we are members of the Sister Church in Tillicum. We have maintained our membership there from some years ago.

That afternoon in Lake City, Seattle, we had turkey with all the trimmin's at the home of our dear Aunt and Uncle. Also visiting them were Aunt Marie's brother Wilbur, and his wife Eva. Eva's mother, a distinguished guest who had just returned from an extended visit in Europe and the Holy Land, was also present.

Wayne and Patti Shaw.

In the Good Old Days....Scotty Landsburgh.

Lester Runyan and I rode our bikes to American Lake one night to get the street car to Tacoma. We went to hear Gypsy Smith, the Evangelist, who was crusading the Country. He had a large tent, and there were 300 in the choir. We thought he was a marvelous speaker, and the singing was wonderful. We returned, weary and worn out in the small hours of the morning.

Another night we did the same thing, but this time it was to hear the first telephone talk between the East Coast and the West Coast. They told about getting the telephone poles to hold in the sand across the desert, and the heat that burned the men up. This seems strange today with all the talking gadgets and loud speakers. The Tacoma Theatre was fixed with desks, and an earpiece to hold to our ears. What a wonder it was for us!

The man in New York said; "I am going to put the window up", and we heard him do that. "Now you can hear the waves of the Atlantic Ocean". And we did!

Now today I can sit by the fire, pick up the phone, and without the blink of an eye, call New York or Scotland, or most any place in the World. Isn't it wonderful?

WITH OUR FRIENDS

Kenneth Karnes and son Daniel have returned from a recent trip to San Antonio, Texas. It was a combined business and pleasure trip, and was considered highly successful by both father and son. They visited several relatives in Southern California on the return trip.

Mrs Karnes flew to Hawaii in November to visit daughters Lois and Pea. Both of them are enjoying the activities of the First Methodist Church of Honolulu, and Lois is very enthusiastic about her studies at the University of Hawaii.

Pea's husband, Stanley Cybulski, who is serving with the 25th Inf. Division at Ni Chi, in Victnam, received his promotion to Captain in September. He is due to return to Fort Benning, Ga. in January 1967.

Incidentally, the last news from Honolulu was that Dan Karnes was also there with his sisters.

Donald Emerson Troupe

Donald E. Troupe passed away in a Tacoma Hospital on Thanksgiving Day. Donald was born in DuPont on August 21, 1915, and had lived here all his life. He was frail as he had polio as a child.

He is survived by two brothers; Leo and Carl, and three sisters; Eleanor Forgey, Wanda Cardwell and Shirley Anderson.

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Tanya Cliske is very ill in the Capital Area Convalescent Center in Tumwater.

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Mrs Belle Roberts is back in Lakewood General Hospital with a broken hip. She is doing well, but unhappy over the confinement. Her son, Dave says: "We ought to get some hay and scatter it around her house for her to fall on."

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Rene Watts, daughter of M/Sgt and Mrs Otho Watts, underwent surgery for 5 hours for correction of a spinal defect. She is in Madigan Hospital and is progressing satisfactorily. Get well, Rene, our thoughts are with you.

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Kenneth Sweeney, 5 year old grandson of Mr and Mrs Morris Krepky, has been in University Hospital in Seattle. He is now recuperating from ear surgery.

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Martha Hay, daughter of Mr and Mrs Dick Tainter, has a baby boy, born DEc. 8.

Jack Heuertz is in St Joseph's Hospital. He fell and chipped his hip bone while in the Convalescent Home. Let's wish him a speedy recovery.

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M/Sgt (ret) C. W. Bonner of the Fort Lewis Maintenance Division was granted an award of $50, for an adopted suggestion which resulted in a new installation method of replacing damaged eye lens, increasing and creating a substantial saving for the Government. The same week that he received the award, he and his hunting partner each got an elk on the 3rd day of their hunting expedition.

50th Anniversary.

Mr and Mrs John Frasl were most pleasantly surprised Wednesday evening, Nov 30 with a reception celebrating their fiftieth Wedding Anniversary.

Under the pretense of taking them out to dinner, their son Martin got them as far as the Masonic Temple at Lakewood, where a group of friends and relatives awaited them. After a buffet supper there was dancing until nine o'clock.

Included in the crowd of almost 150 people attending were their two sons, Martin and Kenneth, with their wives, Evelyn and Ethel, and their daughter Alice Ilustrom. Two other sons, Clarence of Sacramento Cal. and Raymond of Bixby, Oklahoma were unable to be present.

Guests were met at the door by Kenneth and Ethel's son Paul, age 6, who not only directed them to the guest book, but later went down the line, shaking hands with everyone present. He was assisted at the guest book by his brother Kenneth.

The family, over the past few months have managed to amass 50 silver dollars, which were arranged in the form of a large 50 on a plaque above the table serving the Wedding Cake.

In Time for Christmas

A welcome piece of mail was received by all the Volunteer Firemen Thursday when the yearly checks were delivered. A small reward for dedicated service.

With our Service Men

Bill Saunders, son of Mr and Mrs Gates of 608 DuPont, enlisted in the U. S. Navy in October, and was assigned to the "Sea Dragon", a nuclear powered Submarine. The Sea Dragon's home base is Pearl Harbor in Hawaii. Bill is doing very well on his assignment, for in the short time since his enlistment, he has already earned his "Dolphins", which qualifies him for submarine duty.

The former Rosie Saunders, daughter of Mr and Mrs Gates, has returned with her husband, S/Sgt Dale Patchen, from three years duty in Germany. They have two daughters. Sgt Patchen's new assignment is at Fort Devens, Mass., in the Army Security Signal Corps.

Our sympathy to Grant Gates, who is stationed at Okinawa. He has been given emergency leave to attend the funeral of his step-father, Kenneth Duncan of Puyallup. Grant is a brother-in-law of Ruth Fude of 403 Louviers. Grant's wife is Ruth's sister, Darlene.

Ted Ranger, who belongs to the U. S. Navy Reserve Submarine Division 13-6 Tacoma, Washington, was notified of his promotion to E-3 as of October 16. After the Promotional Swearing-in Ceremony, Sunday afternoon, Ted was accorded the traditional "Swim" with a toss into the cold Puget Sound. Within a few weeks, more good news arrived - that he was promoted to Warrant Officer, effective December 15.

Eleven year old Bethy Shaver proudly is passing the word around that her brother Tom, intends to follow in his father's footsteps and enlist in the U. S. Navy as soon as he graduates this coming June. Like father, like son, still holds true.

Mr and Mrs William Kelly of 406 Barksdale received word from their son Sp/4 James V. Kelly. He is back with his unit after spending 14 days in the Hospital. He had injured his back and hip, but said he was fine now, and looking forward to a leave in Hong Kong over the Holidays.

The biggest problem in life is how to stay in the groove without making it into a rut.

Honor Basic Graduates

Royal Westby and Robert Franks - both graduates of Lauchbon High - graduated Dec. 13 from Basic Training in the United States Marine Corps, at San Diego, California. They were both in Platoon #3340 which made Honor Platoon. Robert was also made Private First Class. He is a former resident of DuPont.

The boys will leave now for Camp Pendleton for the Infantry Training Regiment.

Royal hopes to have a leave soon, by the middle of January, if not before.

AMAHL AND THE NIGHT VISITORS

In keeping with the Christmas Season, the Fort Lewis Special Services will present "Amahl and the Night Visitors." at the Centurian Playhouse Theatre at First and Colorado Avenues. This is a modern opera which is a Christmas favorite. It is based on the tradional story of the three kings traveling to greet the new born king, and the miracle which occurs during their visit to a poor widow living with her crippled son.

Music for the production will be provided by members of the Clef Dwellers Chorus and the Tacoma Chamber Orchestra will accompany the chorus and soloists. Joline Emery, director of the Performing Dance Company of Tacoma, will direct the choreography. The dance sequences will be performed by DuPont dancers, Charmaine and Marilyn Andre.

Performances are scheduled for December 16, 17 and 18 beginning at 8:30 P.M. Admission is free, but reservations must be made. Tel 96-84105

CHRISTMAS DANCE CONCERT

The Tacoma Civic Ballet will present six Dance Ensembles in a Christmas Dance Concert on December 29, at Mt. Tahoma High School. Two performances will be given. Matinee 2:30 P.M. and Evening at 8:30 P.M. Admission is $1.00 for adults, and 50¢ for students.

Tickets may be obtained at the door or from DuPont's Ballerinas, Charmaine and Marilyn Andre, 603 Louviers Avenue. who are performing in this spectacular event.

For the best in classical dancing in Tacoma, take the family to see this performance.

HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

Phyllis Taylor, daughter of Sgt and Mrs Gerald Taylor, of 300 Barksdale, is home for the Holidays from Portland State.

Bob Andre, son of Mrs Stanley Andre of 603 Louviers, is spending the Holidays at home from Princeton University.

Bill Gorgenson, son of Mr and Mrs Wm H. Gorgenson, of 307 Brandywine, is home from Central Washington State College for the Holidays.

HOLIDAY GUESTS

The Lisle Bucks of 408 Louviers will have 19 members of their family for dinner Christmas Eve. Guests will include; son Donald and family, daughter Lila Acheson and family, and Lisle's brother, Lester Buck and family - all of Tacoma.

Coming to celebrate Christmas and Carol Foreman's birthday on Christmas Day, will be the Dave Johnstons and family. Sara Foreman, and Kay Foreman.

The Magnus Larsons are looking forward to the visit during the Christmas Holidays of their son and family from Ellensburg, and their daughter, Mrs Yuercko and family from Mercer Island.

Mr and Mrs William Kelly will have as their guests Christmas Eve; Mr and Mrs Doug Kelly, formerly of Olympia, Mr and Mrs Wm Kelly Jr and family of Tacoma, Mr and Mrs Larry Kelly of Tacoma, and Mr and Mrs Richard Thomsen and family of Rochester, Washington.

With all of the grandchildren they will have quite a house full, and they are looking forward to a happy Holiday.

Mr and Mrs John Jecklin will leave Saturday morning for Kirkland, where they will spend the week end with their younger daughter, Christine Thoreson, and her family. Tuesday morning Christine will take them to the Airport, where they will begin their trip to New Orleans, to spend the Christmas Holiday with their other daughted and family.- Mr and Mrs Leonard Jones.

GARDEN CLUB PARTY

Santa Claus - a pretty wise-cracking one- made "his" appearance at the Garden Clubs Christmas party. The 25 members and 2 guests received a cook book and a gift from Santa, along with a joke and a witty remark. (It's a shame Lorraine Lickteig had a dental appointment). The laughter and merriment reflected the spirit of the season.

After the distribution of gifts the group was entertained by E-2 Alfred Stroud who sang to the accompaniment of an auto- harp. Included in his repertoire were songs of Hawaii, his native state, carols and his original composition dedicated to his mother. The spell cast over the audi- ence by this rendition was profound.

The Green Sale Chairmen, Carol Foreman and Nancy Smith reported total receipts of $145.35, and are to be commended for their competent handling of the bazaar. They wish to thank all the customers who helped make the annual affair a success.

PLANT NURSE FEELING BETTER

Olga O'Neil, our plant Nurse, has been in the Hospital again, but is better, and hopes to soon be back at work at the DuPont Hospital. She asks that we extend her Greetings for a Happy Holiday Season.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore H. Kessel, Jr are the proud parents of a boy, born December 5 in Tacoma General Hospital. Mrs. Kessel is the niece of Maurene Brusacker and resides with her aunt at 206 Barksdale.

MESSAGE FROM FORMER DUPONTER

A card received by Hans and Gertrude Schinnell from Towne Collins, the son of a former Manager of the DuPont Plant asks that we extend his regards to everyone of his acquaintance in DuPont. He is now a Captain in Vietnam, and his primary job is Civil Affairs, going to all the local villages with the Doctors, Security Squad etc. passing out medical aid, propaganda and gathering intelligence information. He expects to be returning to the states in January.

BIRTHDAYS GALORE

The Myron Smith household was crowded with birthday parties this week. Susan celebrated her 4th on Wednesday by enter- taining many of her little friends. On Thursday Dorothy Kim was 11 and had a dinner guest.

DUPONT MARKET SPECIALS

Nestle's Choco-Bake	39¢
Baker's German Chocolate	29¢
Baker's Peanut Butter Chips	29¢
Pillsbury Apple-Krunch Mix	3/$1.00
Kraft Dinners	Pkg. 23¢
Safety Ash Trays	39¢
6 Ft. Floor Runner	$1.59

Merry Christmas

HOME FOR SALE

In a beautiful wooded setting of 2½ Acres, 165 ft. by 660 ft.

Living room with fireplace, formal dining room, Pullman kitchen, three bedrooms, service room -- all with spacious cupboards and closets. Rec room, 17x30. Large patio in rear. 1½ bathrooms.

4117 East 72nd Street. $25,500

WANTED:

To buy or rent. A violin in good condition. Needed by the first of the year by 11 year old girl.

Call JU-4 0663

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A Merry Christmas to all
of my customers in DuPont

Your friendly P.I. Delivery Boy
STEVE POWELL

Red's Cafe extends
Season's Greetings to all
of its patrons and friends

"Red" Knowles

To all of our Clients and
Friends
We wish you a very Merry Christmas
and a
Happy New Year
L. F. MUNYAN AGENCY

To our Customers

Merry Christmas from the
DuPont Market

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Kersey
Don and Kenny

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

from the

DUPONT GARDEN CLUB

Happy Holiday Season

from your
Suburban Times Delivery Boy
STEVE WATTS

To all of my Customers and Friends
I wish to extend
A Blessed Christmas and a Happy
New Year

MARTHA JECKLIN

Everyone at the Postoffice
wishes you a
Happy Holiday Season, and
thanks you sincerely for
your cooperation

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

May the joy and blessing
of the Christmas Season
be yours throughout the
coming year.....

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF DUPONT

"Merry Christmas and a safe New Year"

The E.I. DuPont de Nemours Co.

To all of my Subscribers
The happiest of Holiday Seasons

Your friendly T.N.T. Delivery Boy
LARRY BALCERAK

A Happy Holiday Season

from

"The Gang" at the DuPont Cleaners

To all our Customers and Friends

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A joyous Holiday Season to all

LONNIE'S CHEVRON SERVICE

To our Clients

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

"WALT" HUTCHINSON

TO EVERYONE

The Town of DuPont wishes all of you a
MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR
H. L. ROBINSON, Mayor